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VIA CM/ECF

February 11, 2021

United States District Judge Lorna G. Schofield **United States District Court** Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

> Re: Mercer v. Gulf South Enterprises, Inc., Case No.: 1:20-cv-10445-LGS

Dear U.S. District Judge Schofield:

This office represents the Plaintiff Stacey Mercer ("Plaintiff") in connection with the above-referenced action. The date for Gulf South Enterprises, Inc. ("Defendant") to appear or answer the complaint in this action is February 19, 2021 (D.E. 6). To date, Defendant has not yet appeared in this action. In the event, Defendant does not timely appear then we will be filing for the Clerk's entry of a Certificate of Default and a default judgment motion. However, at this time, we are unable to meet and confer with the non-appearing Defendant and submit a joint status letter and proposed CMP, which is due to be filed today. As a result, we are requesting a 30-day adjournment of the initial conference currently scheduled for February 18, 2021, at 11:40 a.m., including all other deadlines related to the Initial Pretrial Conference Order (D.E. 5). This is our first request for an adjournment, and our request will not prejudice any of the parties or affect any other scheduled dates since the Defendant has not yet appeared in this action.

We thank the Court for your time and consideration in this matter.

The application is **GRANTED**. The initial pre-trial conference scheduled for February 18, 2021, is **ADJOURNED to March 11, 2021**. Respectfully submitted, The conference will be telephonic and will occur on the following conference line: 888-363-4749, access: 5583333. The time of the conference is approximate, but the parties shall be prepared to begin at the scheduled time.

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|s| Erik M. Bashian

If Plaintiff has been in communication with Defendant, then the Erik M. Bashian, Esq. parties shall file the joint letter and proposed case management plan cc: Gulf South Enterprises, Inc. (via overnight mail) by **February 25, 2021**. If Plaintiff has not been in communication

with Defendant, by February 25, 2021, Plaintiff shall move for default judgment pursuant to the procedure outlined in Attachment

A of this Court's Individual Rules.

United States District Judge

So Ordered.

Dated: February 12, 2021 New York, New York